

**Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486  
Medical Fund**

**Board of Trustees Meeting**

**January 9, 2017**

# ***PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND***

## ***AGENDA***

***JANUARY 9, 2017***

- A. ROLL CALL
- B. READING OF THE MINUTES – December 12, 2016
- C. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS
  - 1. Medical Fund Cash Balance - December 31, 2016
  - 2. Medical Fund Schedules - December 31, 2016
  - 3. Medical Fund Bills To Be Approved & Paid – January 9, 2017
  - 4. Administrative Cash Balance - December 31, 2016
  - 5. Principal Account Activity - December 31, 2016
  - 6. Claims Analysis - December 31, 2016
  - 7. Claimant Usage Report – December 31, 2016
  - 8. High Cost Medical Claims – December 2016
  - 9. Bolton Partners – Projected vs. Actual – December 31, 2016
- D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - 1. Delinquent Contractors
  - 2. Redefining Retirement
  - 3. Summary Of Material Modifications
  - 4. Joint Funds Annual Meeting
  - 5. HCCCC
  - 6. Appeal 201610-1
- E. NEW BUSINESS
  - 1. Deaths: Jason Gardner – 10/19/2016, age 40  
Edwin Vockroth – 10/31/2016, age 82  
Philip Clark – 11/19/2016, age 58  
Theophilus Lawrence – 12/8/2016, age 84  
Edward Capece – 12/11/2016, age 62  
James Kahler – 12/21/2016, age 80
  - 2. Retirements: Mathew St Jean – Disability, age 54
  - 3. Survivor: Catherine Johnson
  - 4. Aetna
  - 5. Legal Services Engagement Letter
  - 6. Appeals
  - 7. Questions
  - 8. Date of Next Meetings - February 13, 2017 & March 13, 2017 both at 2 p.m.

## **Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486**

### **Medical Fund**

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Trustees Attending: E. Eckstein, A. George, J. Livingston, P. Matusky, S. Shagoury, S. Weissenberger, W. Welsh

Others: Attending: S. Barnaskas, K. Bradley, D. Jensen, M. Lynne, D. Troll, D. Welch

The Trustees met on December 12, 2016 at the office of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Apprentice Training School.

Chairman Weissenberger called the regular meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

- A. The minutes of the meeting of October 11, 2016 were approved as presented.
- B. The Advice Forms, Investment Analysis, Fund Cash Balance, Fund Bills to Be Approved and Paid, Administrative Cash Balance, Flex Spending & Claims Analysis and Medical Claims Usage reports were accepted. Trustees receiving compensation recused themselves from the votes related to their payments.

Mr. Lynne reviewed his Projected vs. Actual Results for the eleven months ended November 30, 2016.

#### **C. Unfinished Business**

- 1. Ms. Bradley reported on the current delinquencies. South Mountain is two months delinquent, but its bond is now in place with the correct amount. Stone Services signed an extension of its payment agreement, as approved by the Trustees and signed by the Administrator on behalf of all the Funds.
- 2. The Trustees agreed to keep Redefining Retirement on the agenda.
- 3. Mr. Troll reported that the Open Enrollment meetings were held on October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at Rosedale Gardens Hall. Representatives from AETNA HMO, Kaiser HMO and Blue Cross/Blue Shield/The Dental Network gave presentations and answered questions. Mr. Troll represented

the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund and explained the self-insured medical and dental benefits. The Open Enrollment ended November 30, 2016 and all changes in coverage become effective January 1, 2017., Aetna gained 30 participants and lost 5, Kaiser gained 9 and lost 3, and the self-insured category gained one and lost 32.

4. The Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Annual Joint Administration Meeting is scheduled to be held this afternoon at the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Apprentice Training School.
5. Mr. Lynne discussed the HCCCC's contracts with various service providers and the potential savings for the Medical Fund. The Trustees voted to switch to the HCCCC to take advantage of the potential savings.

#### D. New Business

1. Deaths: Phyllis Rosley – 9/14/2016, age 88  
Alton Hilker – 10/31/2016, age 86  
Philip Perreault – 10/31/2016, age 63  
Joseph Yates – 10/31/2016, age 95  
John Geliadowski – 11/9/2016, age 65  
Rascheene Young – 11/18/2016, age 36  
Robert Glensky – 11/13/2016, age 78
2. There were no retirements to be approved.
3. Mr. Troll distributed the Investment Performance Services, LLC (IPS) Master Consulting Report for the periods ending September 30, 2016.
4. Mr. Troll distributed and discussed with the Trustees the Summary of Material Modification (SMM) for the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund which was mailed to all eligible participants. The SMM described the change, effective January 1, 2017, in the Annual Major Medical deductible to \$100.00 per person and \$200.00 per family.
5. Mr. Troll distributed and discussed with the Trustees the 2015 Summary Annual Report (SAR) for the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund.
6. Dates of the next meetings:

January 9, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.  
February 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.  
March 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

7. Adjournment: 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale O. Troll, CEBS  
Acting Secretary for the Meeting

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
CASH BALANCE REPORT  
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

|                                             |                            | 2016                         | 2015                      |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                             | Current Month              | Year To Date                 | Year To Date              |
| <b>Receipts:</b>                            |                            |                              |                           |
| Employer Contributions                      | \$1,654,742.37             | \$18,823,626.12              | \$17,105,587              |
| Less Reciprocals Paid Out                   | 0.00                       | (840,403.92)                 | (268,251)                 |
| Reciprocal Contributions                    | 112,317.14                 | 812,040.92                   | 976,622                   |
| Employee Contributions                      | 2,200.00                   | 26,783.27                    | 59,902                    |
| Retiree Self Payments                       | 118,256.33                 | 1,420,899.94                 | 1,452,541                 |
| COBRA Contributions                         | 0.00                       | 8,962.70                     | 25,292                    |
| Investment Income                           | 0.00                       | 552,565.70                   | 488,431                   |
| Realized Gains & Losses                     | 0.00                       | (328,579.34)                 | (203,182)                 |
| Interest & Liquidated Damages Revenue       | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| Medicare Part D Subsidy                     | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| ERRP Subsidy                                | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| Subrogation Proceeds                        | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| Litigation Settlement Proceeds              | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
|                                             | <u>\$1,887,515.84</u>      | <u>\$20,475,895.39</u>       | <u>\$19,636,942</u>       |
| <b>Providers</b>                            |                            |                              |                           |
| <b>Disbursements:</b>                       |                            |                              |                           |
|                                             | \$644,346.67               | \$6,085,717.66               | \$5,899,667               |
|                                             | \$0.00                     | \$65,428.00                  | \$144,459                 |
| CareFirst BC/BS                             | \$2,716.40                 | \$71,313.51                  | \$51,129                  |
| Aetna                                       | 421,424.97                 | 4,917,123.91                 | 4,743,041                 |
| Aetna                                       | (159,229.35)               | (292,291.54)                 | (96,528)                  |
| Labor First                                 | 197,786.45                 | 2,391,623.90                 | 2,382,596                 |
| OptumRx                                     | 209,244.00                 | 2,638,882.52                 | 2,493,603                 |
| The Dental Network                          | 5,611.80                   | 67,410.16                    | 63,655                    |
| NCAS                                        | 4,150.44                   | 50,606.99                    | 49,595                    |
| Conifer                                     | 1,806.00                   | 29,839.64                    | 48,145                    |
| Conifer                                     | 3,900.00                   | 57,145.00                    | 86,240                    |
| ASMED                                       | 0.00                       | 44,973.11                    | 46,892                    |
|                                             | <u>1,331,757.38</u>        | <u>16,127,772.86</u>         | <u>15,912,494</u>         |
|                                             | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| AA, LLC                                     | 25,653.07                  | 280,438.60                   | 275,672                   |
| WCS, CPA                                    | 0.00                       | 17,584.05                    | 17,640                    |
|                                             | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| IFEBP                                       | 0.00                       | 15,989.49                    | 20,983                    |
| NCCMP                                       | 0.00                       | 2,025.00                     | 1,980                     |
| Federal Ins. Co.                            | 0.00                       | 15,893.87                    | 16,150                    |
| Zurich North America                        | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
|                                             | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| PNC/Chart/Columbia                          | 0.00                       | 56,869.59                    | 43,975                    |
| IPS                                         | 6,250.00                   | 31,250.00                    | 18,750                    |
| US Treasury                                 | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| Abato, R & A                                | 0.00                       | 20,921.66                    | 21,385                    |
|                                             | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 0                         |
| AA, LLC                                     | 0.00                       | 600.00                       | 759                       |
| AA, LLC                                     | 117.45                     | 1,263.81                     | 658                       |
| AA, LLC                                     | 483.14                     | 3,852.21                     | 1,399                     |
| Dept of Treasury                            | 0.00                       | 4,576.53                     | 4,676                     |
| Schmitz Press                               | 242.18                     | 3,565.48                     | 6,989                     |
|                                             | 0.00                       | 0.00                         | 664                       |
| Recip. Admin. Svcs.                         | 0.00                       | 950.00                       | 950                       |
| PNC & BoA                                   | 168.96                     | 2,131.04                     | 2,173                     |
| Trustee Fees - Eric Eckstein                | 450.00                     | 4,950.00                     | 5,850                     |
| Anthony George                              | 450.00                     | 4,950.00                     | 5,400                     |
| Patricia Matusky                            | 450.00                     | 3,600.00                     | 3,600                     |
|                                             | <u>34,264.80</u>           | <u>471,411.33</u>            | <u>449,653.00</u>         |
| Total Disbursements                         | <u>\$1,366,022.18</u>      | <u>\$16,599,184.19</u>       | <u>\$16,362,147.00</u>    |
| <b>Increase (Decrease) In Cash</b>          | <u><b>\$521,493.66</b></u> | <u><b>\$3,876,711.20</b></u> | <u><b>\$3,274,795</b></u> |
| Balance - December 31, 2015                 |                            | 16,757,359.17                |                           |
| Balance - December 31, 2016                 |                            | <u>\$20,634,070.37</u>       |                           |
| <b>CASH BALANCE CONSISTING OF:</b>          |                            |                              |                           |
| Cash - Operating & Claims Checking Accounts |                            | \$2,093,767.29               |                           |
| Cash - Principal Cash Account               |                            | 358,273.65                   |                           |
| PNC Bank - Marketable Securities At Cost    |                            | 18,182,029.43                |                           |
| Accounts Receivable                         |                            | 0.00                         |                           |
| Less Loss of Time FICA Payable              |                            | 0.00                         |                           |
|                                             |                            | <u>\$20,634,070.37</u>       |                           |

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
CASH BALANCE REPORT  
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

**Investment Income:**

|                                              |               |                         |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Dividend Income                              | \$0.00        | \$0.00                  |
| Interest Income                              | 0.00          | \$552,565.70            |
|                                              | <u>\$0.00</u> | <u>\$552,565.70</u>     |
| Realized Gains                               | 0.00          | (328,579.34)            |
|                                              | <u>\$0.00</u> | <u>\$223,986.36</u>     |
| Market Value of Fund as of December 31, 2015 |               | <b>\$ 16,141,375.38</b> |
| Market Value of Fund as of Dec 31, 2016      |               | 20,337,167.46           |
| Increase (Decrease) in Market Value of Fund  |               | <b>4,195,792.08</b>     |
| Less Net Income (Loss) on Cash Basis         |               | 3,876,711.20            |
| Unrealized Gain or (Loss)                    |               | <b>\$ 319,080.88</b>    |

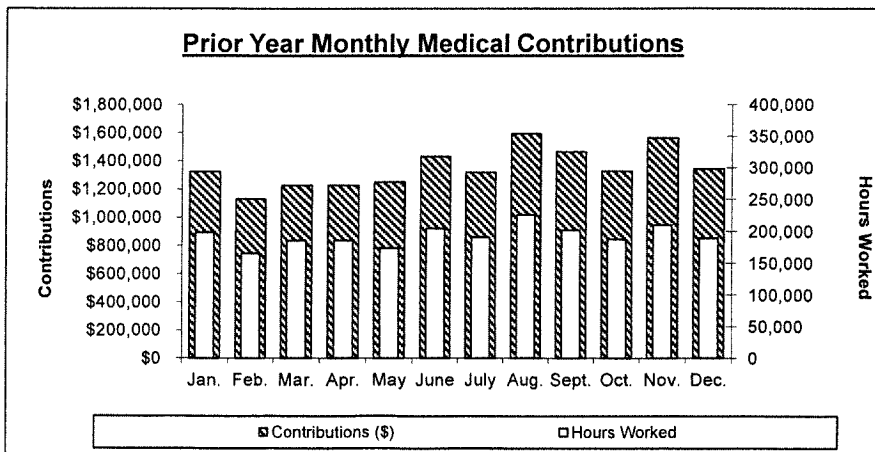
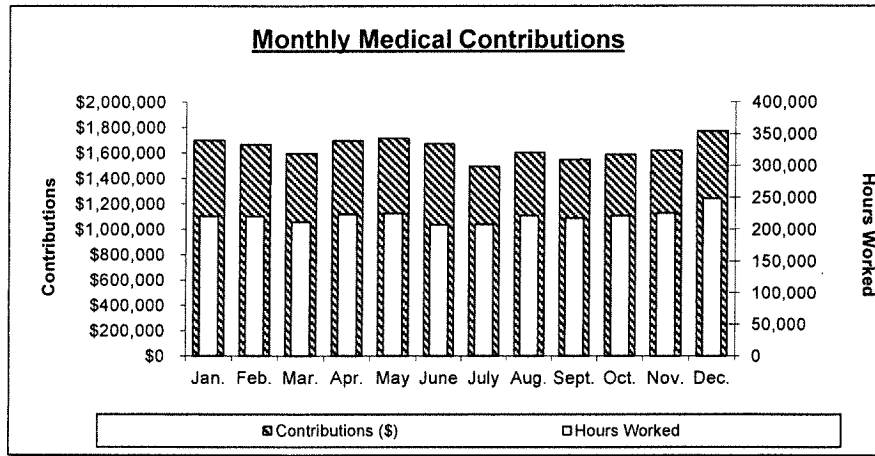
MONTHLY RESERVE CALCULATION

|                                            |                         |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| (A) Total Disbursements Previous 12 Months | <b>\$ 16,599,184.19</b> |
| (B) Monthly Average (A) ÷ 12               | <b>1,383,265.35</b>     |
| (C) Adjust for 9% Inflation (B) x 1.09     | <b>1,507,759.23</b>     |
| (D) Current Assets at Cost                 | 20,634,070.37           |
| Total Months Reserve (D) ÷ (C)             | <b>13.69</b>            |

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
CASH BALANCE REPORT  
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

|                                | Hours Worked |              | Employer Contributions |                 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------|
|                                | Curr. Month  | Year To Date | Curr. Month            | Year To Date    |
| <b>Employer Contributions:</b> |              |              |                        |                 |
| Nov. 2015 & Prior              | 0.00         | 27,514.94    | \$0.00                 | \$191,003.32    |
| Dec. 2015 Hours                | 0.00         | 220,033.05   | \$0.00                 | \$1,694,262.93  |
| Jan. 2016 Hours                | 0.00         | 211,276.32   | \$0.00                 | \$1,597,693.27  |
| Feb. 2016 Hours                | 0.00         | 217,385.44   | \$0.00                 | \$1,648,354.43  |
| Mar. 2016 Hours                | 0.00         | 252,775.14   | \$0.00                 | \$1,882,039.53  |
| Apr. 2016 Hours                | 0.00         | 211,151.91   | \$0.00                 | \$1,650,709.24  |
| May 2016 Hours                 | 0.00         | 201,754.00   | \$0.00                 | \$1,607,010.72  |
| June 2016 Hours                | 0.00         | 211,449.59   | \$0.00                 | \$1,507,169.50  |
| July 2016 Hours                | 0.00         | 218,940.44   | \$0.00                 | \$1,563,593.47  |
| Aug. 2016 Hours                | 0.00         | 220,218.37   | \$0.00                 | \$1,571,910.23  |
| Sept. 2016 Hours               | 2,575.70     | 220,456.25   | \$15,413.00            | \$1,585,999.10  |
| Oct. 2016 Hours                | 36,305.84    | 230,515.80   | \$241,289.15           | \$1,650,147.21  |
| Nov. 2016 Hours                | 209,336.49   | 209,336.49   | \$1,512,557.36         | \$1,512,557.36  |
|                                | 248,218.03   | 2,652,807.74 | 1,769,259.51           | \$19,662,450.31 |

|                                   |              |           |                 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Average Hours Per Month           | 221,067.31   |           |                 |
| Projected Hours This Year         | 2,652,807.72 |           |                 |
| Average Contribution Rates        |              | \$7.12784 | \$7.41194       |
| Average Contributions Per Month   |              |           | \$1,638,537.53  |
| Projected Contributions This Year |              |           | \$19,662,450.36 |



PLUMBERS STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
BILLS AND DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED AND PAID  
January 9, 2017

|     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |              |  |                                           |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------------------------|
| 1.  | Plumbers & Steamfitters Joint Funds<br>Administration @ 54% Plus Direct Costs - December 31, 2016                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |              |  | \$23,943.35                               |
| 2.  | Trustees Fee Checks - Trustees Meeting - January 9, 2017<br>Eric Eckstein @ \$450.00<br>Anthony George @ \$450.00<br>Patricia Matusky @ \$450.00                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |  | 450.00<br>450.00<br>450.00                |
| 3.  | Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund<br>Transfer To PNC For Investment & Expenses - January 31, 2017                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |              |  | Blank                                     |
| 4.  | Associated Administrators, LLC<br>Refreshments<br>Mailing - December 2016 - Apprentices 2017 SBCACA Reporting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |              |  | 74.61                                     |
| 5.  | Aetna<br>Monthly Premium - January 2017                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 414 Families |  | 467,862.92                                |
| 6.  | NCAS<br>BC/BS Network Management - January 2017                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 832 Families |  | 4,043.52                                  |
| 7.  | The Dental Network<br>Monthly Premium - January 2017                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 178 Families |  | 3,146.57                                  |
| 8.  | laborfirst<br>Monthly Premium - January 2017                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 567 Bodies   |  | 212,194.05                                |
| 9.  | Kaiser Permanente<br>Monthly Premium - January 2017                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 18 Families  |  | 13,642.20                                 |
| 10. | Conifer Value-Based Care, LLC<br>January 2017 Data Warehouse Reporting @ \$1.00 PEPM<br>January 2017 Medical Management - Utilization Review @\$2.00<br>December 2016 Medical Management Services - MRIOA - Adjustment<br>December 2016 Medical Services - Medical Management<br>December 2016 Case Mangmt. - Personal Health Mangmt. @\$135.00 |              |  | Blank<br>Blank<br>Blank<br>Blank<br>Blank |
| 11. | Conference Expenses<br>W. Welsh - Balance of Expenses - November 2016                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |              |  | 1,672.20                                  |
| 12. | ASMED Health, LLC<br>Claims Repricing - Batch 355<br>Claims Repricing - Batch 354                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |              |  | 1,060.66<br>4,161.77                      |

### Accounting for December 2016 Checks

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                              |
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| Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund<br>Transfer To PNC For Investment & Expenses - December 31, 2016                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ??????????????                                               |
| Conifer Value-Based Care, LLC<br>December 2016 Data Warehouse Reporting @ \$1.00 PEPM<br>December 2016 Medical Management - Utilization Review @\$2.00<br>November 2016 Medical Management Services - MRIOA - Adjustment<br>November 2016 Medical Services - Medical Management<br>November 2016 Case Mangmt. - Personal Health Mangmt. @\$135.00 | 903.00<br>1,806.00<br>0.00<br>472.50<br>2,524.50<br>5,706.00 |

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486  
M.C.A. of MD JOINT ADMINISTRATION  
ADMINISTRATION CASH REPORT  
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

|                             |     | <u>Y T D</u><br><u>Budget</u> | <u>Current</u><br><u>Month</u> | <u>Year To Date</u> |                     |
|-----------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Balance - January 1, 2016   |     |                               |                                |                     | \$24,595.96         |
| <b>Receipts:</b>            |     |                               |                                |                     |                     |
| Medical Fund                | 54% | \$290,488                     | 24,353.07                      | \$275,746.53        |                     |
| Pension Fund                | 19% | 117,841                       | 10,549.44                      | 115,412.68          |                     |
| Annuity Fund                | 20% | 113,237                       | 10,163.32                      | 111,248.54          |                     |
| Credit Union                | 1%  | 5,395                         | 447.22                         | 5,341.07            |                     |
| Training Fund               | 4%  | 21,581                        | 1,788.88                       | 21,364.27           |                     |
| Dues Fund                   | 1%  | 5,395                         | 447.22                         | 5,341.07            |                     |
| Industry Fund               | 1%  | 5,395                         | 447.22                         | 5,341.05            |                     |
|                             |     | <u>\$559,332</u>              | <u>\$48,196</u>                |                     | 539,795.21          |
|                             |     |                               |                                |                     | <u>\$564,391.17</u> |
| <b>Expenses:</b>            |     |                               |                                |                     |                     |
| Administration              |     | \$520,632                     | 43,386.00                      | \$520,632.00        |                     |
| Audit                       |     | 3,700                         | 0.00                           | 3,600.00            |                     |
| Meeting Expenses            |     | 0                             | 0.00                           | 0.00                |                     |
| Office                      |     | 0                             | 0.00                           | 0.00                |                     |
| Printing                    |     | 3,100                         | 0.00                           | 1,025.34            |                     |
| Postage                     |     | 1,500                         | 0.00                           | 1,899.18            |                     |
| Postage - Medical           |     | 13,200                        | 515.46                         | 6,851.77            |                     |
| Rent                        |     | 0                             | 0.00                           | 0.00                |                     |
| Bank Service Charges        |     | 1,200                         | 662.93                         | 1,208.61            |                     |
| Programming                 |     | 0                             | 0.00                           | 0.00                |                     |
| Record Destruction          |     | 0                             | 0.00                           | 0.00                |                     |
| Employer Audits             |     | 16,000                        | 2,819.50                       | 14,370.26           |                     |
| Total Expenses              |     | <u>\$559,332</u>              | <u>\$47,383.89</u>             | <u>\$549,587.16</u> |                     |
| Interest Income             |     | 0                             | 0.00                           | 0.00                |                     |
| Net Expenses                |     | <u>\$559,332</u>              | <u>\$47,383.89</u>             |                     | 549,587.16          |
| Balance - December 31, 2016 |     |                               |                                |                     | <u>\$14,804.01</u>  |

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT ACTIVITY  
PNC BANK ACCOUNT 6785876  
DECEMBER 31, 2016

Balance - November 30, 2016

\$0.00

**No Activity Reported**

Balance - December 31, 2016

\$0.00

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
CLAIMS ANALYSIS REPORT  
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

**CLAIMS ANALYSIS**

| Description            | Current<br>Month    | 2016 - Year To Date   |                | 2015<br>Year To Date  | 2015                  | %              |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
|                        |                     | \$                    | %              |                       |                       |                |
| Hospital               | \$90,181.73         | \$1,250,118.06        | 20.65%         | \$1,378,650.08        | \$1,378,650.08        | 23.30%         |
| Out-patient Hosp.      | 164,648.05          | 969,871.98            | 16.02%         | 948,293.68            | 948,293.68            | 16.03%         |
| Medicare               | 0.00                | 1,082.84              | 0.02%          | 8,631.98              | 8,631.98              | 0.15%          |
| Lab & X-ray            | 109,648.26          | 716,318.43            | 11.83%         | 700,727.81            | 700,727.81            | 11.84%         |
| Office Visit           | 72,560.84           | 719,048.50            | 11.88%         | 689,135.07            | 689,135.07            | 11.65%         |
| Surgery                | 70,632.98           | 539,269.96            | 8.91%          | 577,804.02            | 577,804.02            | 9.77%          |
| Alcohol Abuse          | 3,245.17            | 62,577.82             | 1.03%          | 21,838.21             | 21,838.21             | 0.37%          |
| Drug Abuse             | 42,074.02           | 246,374.38            | 4.07%          | 239,099.34            | 239,099.34            | 4.04%          |
| Mental & Nervous       | 18,526.97           | 191,128.65            | 3.16%          | 164,587.55            | 164,587.55            | 2.78%          |
| Flex                   | 0.00                | 0.00                  | 0.00%          | 0.00                  | 0.00                  | 0.00%          |
| Dental                 | 35,316.60           | 441,185.59            | 7.29%          | 451,198.61            | 451,198.61            | 7.63%          |
| Major Medical          | 44,966.80           | 365,435.26            | 6.04%          | 233,939.82            | 233,939.82            | 3.95%          |
| Sudden & Serious       | 37,290.48           | 349,553.23            | 5.77%          | 345,813.28            | 345,813.28            | 5.84%          |
| Accident               | 5,200.54            | 44,427.35             | 0.73%          | 30,059.98             | 30,059.98             | 0.51%          |
| Immunizations          | 8,264.86            | 76,001.06             | 1.26%          | 74,500.54             | 74,500.54             | 1.26%          |
| Catastrophic RX Reimb. | 0.00                | 968.50                | 0.02%          | 509.50                | 509.50                | 0.01%          |
| Loss Of Time           | 8,811.94            | 79,877.50             | 1.32%          | 52,109.41             | 52,109.41             | 0.88%          |
|                        | <u>\$711,369.24</u> | <u>\$6,053,239.11</u> | <u>100.00%</u> | <u>\$5,916,898.88</u> | <u>\$5,916,898.88</u> | <u>100.00%</u> |

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| Summary Range        | # Claimants | % T    | Dollars Pd. | % T    | % GT   | Claim Cnt | AvgCost/<br>Claimant | FamilyCnt | AvgCost/<br>Family | Family % |
|----------------------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|--------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|--------------------|----------|
| 100000.00 PLUS       | 7           | 0.0000 | 0.0000      | 0.0000 | 1.0000 | 220       | 0.00                 | 4         | 0.00               | 0.00%    |
| 50000.00 TO 99999.99 | 12          | 0.0167 | 265454.00   | 0.3069 | 1.0000 | 350       | 37922.00             | 7         | 66363.50           | 1.34%    |
| 20000.00 TO 49999.99 | 2           | 0.0087 | 227388.79   | 0.2629 | 0.6930 | 49        | 18949.07             | 1         | 32484.11           | 2.35%    |
| 15000.00 TO 19999.99 | 16          | 0.0382 | 15777.79    | 0.0182 | 0.4300 | 434       | 7888.90              | 10        | 15777.79           | 0.33%    |
| 10000.00 TO 14999.99 | 19          | 0.0454 | 124306.11   | 0.1437 | 0.4117 | 477       | 7769.13              | 9         | 12430.61           | 3.36%    |
| 5000.00 TO 9999.99   | 25          | 0.0598 | 57109.29    | 0.0660 | 0.2680 | 455       | 3005.75              | 16        | 6345.48            | 3.03%    |
| 2500.00 TO 4999.99   | 50          | 0.1196 | 63970.72    | 0.0739 | 0.2019 | 358       | 2558.83              | 31        | 3998.17            | 5.38%    |
| 1000.00 TO 2499.99   | 60          | 0.1435 | 48585.61    | 0.0561 | 0.1280 | 551       | 971.71               | 147       | 1567.28            | 10.43%   |
| 500.00 TO 999.99     | 195         | 0.4665 | 25782.48    | 0.0398 | 0.0718 | 95        | 429.71               | 37        | 696.82             | 12.45%   |
| 10.00 TO 499.99      | 32          | 0.0765 | 36318.85    | 0.0420 | 0.0420 | 95        | 186.25               | 31        | 247.07             | 49.49%   |
| 0.00 TO 9.99         | 418         | 0.0765 | 0.18        | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 3224      | 0.01                 | 293       | 0.01               | 10.43%   |
|                      |             |        | 864693.82   |        |        |           | 2068.65              |           | 2951.17            | 98.65%   |
| UNDER 0.00           | 4           |        | -1196.24    |        |        | 9         | -299.06              | 4         | -299.06            | 1.34%    |
|                      | 422         |        | 863497.58   |        |        | 3233      | 2046.20              | 297       | 2907.40            | 100.00%  |

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| Summary Range        | # Claimants | % T    | Dollars Pd. | % T    | % GT   | Claim Cnt | AvgCost/<br>Claimant | FamilyCnt | AvgCost/<br>Family | Family % |
|----------------------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|--------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|--------------------|----------|
| 100000.00 PLUS       | 10          | 0.0038 | 359760.00   | 0.0594 | 1.0000 | 472       | 35976.00             | 3         | 119920.00          | 0.23%    |
| 50000.00 TO 99999.99 | 47          | 0.0183 | 1499558.02  | 0.2479 | 0.9405 | 1758      | 31905.49             | 21        | 71407.52           | 1.64%    |
| 20000.00 TO 49999.99 | 135         | 0.0525 | 1634343.59  | 0.2702 | 0.6925 | 3660      | 12106.25             | 53        | 30836.67           | 4.15%    |
| 15000.00 TO 19999.99 | 56          | 0.0218 | 347129.98   | 0.0573 | 0.4223 | 1238      | 6198.75              | 20        | 17356.50           | 1.56%    |
| 10000.00 TO 14999.99 | 120         | 0.0467 | 487879.74   | 0.0806 | 0.3649 | 2344      | 4065.66              | 39        | 12509.74           | 3.05%    |
| 5000.00 TO 9999.99   | 313         | 0.1218 | 718305.63   | 0.1187 | 0.2843 | 4817      | 2294.91              | 104       | 6906.78            | 8.15%    |
| 2500.00 TO 4999.99   | 301         | 0.1172 | 432623.15   | 0.0715 | 0.1655 | 3927      | 1437.29              | 121       | 3575.40            | 9.49%    |
| 1000.00 TO 2499.99   | 532         | 0.2071 | 364198.45   | 0.0602 | 0.0940 | 3904      | 684.58               | 222       | 1640.53            | 17.41%   |
| 500.00 TO 999.99     | 334         | 0.1300 | 113125.75   | 0.0187 | 0.0338 | 1365      | 338.70               | 159       | 711.48             | 12.47%   |
| 10.00 TO 499.99      | 583         | 0.2270 | 91297.75    | 0.0150 | 0.0150 | 1684      | 156.60               | 394       | 231.72             | 30.90%   |
| 0.00 TO 9.99         | 137         | 0.0533 | 6.16        | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 484       | 0.04                 | 129       | 0.05               | 10.11%   |
|                      | 2568        |        | 6048228.22  |        |        | 25653     | 2355.23              | 1265      | 4781.21            | 99.21%   |
| UNDER 0.00           | 12          |        | -25886.44   |        |        | 49        | -2157.20             | 10        | -2588.64           | 0.78%    |
|                      | 2580        |        | 6022341.78  |        |        | 25702     | 2334.24              | 1275      | 4723.41            | 100.00%  |

PLUMBERS' AND STEAMFITTERS' LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
HIGH COST MEDICAL CLAIMS  
January 9, 2017  
CLAIMS PROCESSED FROM DECEMBER 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016

| <b>DIAGNOSIS</b>           | <b>AMOUNT</b>       |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| SPINAL STENOSIS            | \$60,161.14         |
| OPIOID DEPENDENCE          | 49,030.53           |
| LYMPHOMA                   | 37,193.89           |
| EPILEPSY                   | 29,341.63           |
| CERVICAL DISC DISPLACEMENT | 26,726.63           |
| INTESTINAL ADHESIONS       | 26,410.95           |
| BREAST CANCER              | 19,890.49           |
| MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION      | 18,239.88           |
| ATHEROSCLEROSIS            | 17,022.85           |
| BREAST CANCER              | 15,165.17           |
| BRAIN CANCER               | 13,524.23           |
| VAGINAL DELIVERY           | 13,359.73           |
| GESTATIONAL DIABETES       | 11,773.07           |
| PERITONEAL ADHESIONS       | 11,244.01           |
| TORN ROTATOR CUFF          | 11,154.73           |
| BIPOLAR DISORDER           | 9,197.03            |
| SPINAL STENOSIS            | 7,933.32            |
| BIPOLAR DISORDER           | 7,421.93            |
| PANCREATITIS               | 7,274.08            |
| KIDNEY STONES              | 6,384.88            |
| CROHN'S DISEASE            | 6,217.84            |
| ENDOMETRIOSIS              | 6,048.12            |
| BREAST CANCER              | 5,180.09            |
| PULMONARY HYPERTENSION     | 5,140.28            |
| CHEST PAIN                 | 5,035.82            |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>\$426,072.32</b> |

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL486 MEDICAL FUND  
ELIGIBILITY REPORT

|                                       | Jan 1, 2017 |       |      | Oct 1, 2016 |       |      | Jul 1, 2016 |       |     | Apr 1, 2016 |       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------|------|-------------|-------|------|-------------|-------|-----|-------------|-------|-----|
|                                       | BB          | Mbrs  |      | BB          | Mbrs  |      | BB          | Mbrs  |     | BB          | Mbrs  |     |
| 486AP<br>1st Year Apprentices         | 49          | 55    |      | 49          | 45    |      | 47          | 38    |     | 43          | 32    |     |
| 486HMO<br>HMO's                       | 1,331       | 426   |      | 1,246       | 398   |      | 1,248       | 398   |     | 1,255       | 399   |     |
| 486MCR Retired<br>Medicare Retirees   | 501         | 328   |      | 510         | 331   |      | 515         | 333   |     | 511         | 333   |     |
| 486MCR Survivor<br>Medicare Survivors | 69          | 69    |      | 76          | 76    |      | 80          | 80    |     | 82          | 82    |     |
| 486ME<br>Self Insured                 | 1,897       | 787   |      | 1,938       | 824   |      | 1,898       | 785   |     | 1,905       | 786   |     |
| 486PNRP<br>Pensioner not on Medicare  | 123         | 49    |      | 125         | 50    |      | 132         | 52    |     | 133         | 51    |     |
| 486SURP<br>Survivors not on Medicare  | 7           | 5     |      | 7           | 5     |      | 7           | 5     |     | 5           | 2     |     |
| 486TM<br>Helpers                      | 20          | 20    |      | 20          | 20    |      | 14          | 14    |     | 15          | 15    |     |
| Total                                 | 3,997       | 1,739 |      | 3,971       | 1,749 |      | 3,941       | 1,705 |     | 3,949       | 1,878 |     |
| Self Insured                          | 2,096       | 916   | 53%  | 2,139       | 944   | 54%  | 2,098       | 894   | 52% | 2,101       | 886   | 52% |
| HMO's                                 | 1,331       | 426   | 24%  | 1,246       | 398   | 23%  | 1,248       | 398   | 23% | 1,255       | 399   | 23% |
| Labor First                           | 570         | 397   | 23%  | 586         | 407   | 23%  | 595         | 413   | 24% | 593         | 415   | 24% |
| Total                                 | 3,997       | 1,739 | 100% | 3,971       | 1,749 | 100% | 3,941       | 1,705 | 99% | 3,949       | 1,700 | 99% |

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND  
 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT ACTIVITY  
 DELINQUENT CONTRACTORS  
 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

| <b><u>Delinquent Contractors:</u></b> | <b><u>Work<br/>Month</u></b> | <b><u>Amount</u></b> | <b><u>Date Received</u></b> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Capitol Refrigeration Inc          | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 2. Combustioneer Corporation          | Oct-16                       |                      |                             |
| Combustioneer Corporation             | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 3. Complete Control LLC               | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 4. Excel Mechanical Contractors       | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 5. Hascon Mechanical Service          | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 6. Innovative Mechanical Systems      | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 7. James P. Kruger & Associates       | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 8. M&E Sales, Inc.                    | Nov-15                       |                      | Agreement                   |
| 9. South Mountain Mechanical          | Aug-16                       |                      |                             |
| South Mountain Mechanical             | Sep-16                       |                      |                             |
| South Mountain Mechanical             | Oct-16                       |                      |                             |
| South Mountain Mechanical             | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 10. Statewide Mechanical              | Oct-16                       |                      |                             |
| Statewide Mechanical                  | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 11. Stone Services, Inc.              | May-15                       |                      | Agreement                   |
| Stone Services, Inc.                  | Jul-16                       |                      | Agreement                   |
| Stone Services, Inc.                  | Aug-16                       |                      | Agreement                   |
| Stone Services, Inc.                  | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |
| 12. Wilking Mechanical Systems        | Nov-16                       |                      |                             |

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**JANUARY 2017**

**PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL PLAN**

**SUMMARY OF MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS**

**52-1059733 Plan 501**

The Board of Trustees of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund hereby adopts this Summary of Material Modifications (SMM) to the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Plan ("the Plan"). The purpose of the SMM is to revise and update the Plan to reflect amendments to the Summary Plan Description (SPD) to be effective on the dates identified below.

***Effective April 1, 2016, the provisions of the SPD regarding Initial Eligibility for Employees shall be changed to adopt a new classification included in the 2016 Collective Bargaining Agreement. Page 1 of the SPD shall be replaced with the following language:***

**ELIGIBILITY**

**EMPLOYEES**

***Initial Eligibility***

You are eligible to participate in this Plan if you work for a contributing employer who is obligated by a Collective Bargaining Agreement to make contributions to the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Plan or if your employer has made contributions on your behalf to a health and welfare plan that has a valid reciprocal agreement with the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Plan.

Benefits begin on the first day of the month following the month in which a minimum of 1,000 hours has been received by the Plan on your behalf.

As a new Journeyman member of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 (including Tradesmen and Servicemen under Schedule A of a National Agreement), you have the option to receive immediate full coverage under the following terms and conditions:

- the only medical plan option available is the HMO option
- you must pay a monthly amount equal to the HMO premium charged to the Plan for the HMO option chosen
- weekly accident and sickness benefits are excluded
- you must work 250 hours per quarter to continue self-payment

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- you acknowledge in writing that you understand that the cost of such coverage could increase

As a Helper member of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486, the following benefits are excluded from your coverage during the period for which you are covered as a Helper: HMO benefits, prescription drugs, dental benefits, and weekly accident and sickness benefits. The Helper classification is a transitional classification intended to lead to apprenticeship status. Once a Helper meets the 1,000 hours requirement for eligibility and moves directly to an Apprentice status, then initial eligibility for Apprentice benefits need not be re-established.

As an Apprentice member of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486, you receive full coverage from the first day of the month after you complete 250 hours of employment with a contributing employer, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- HMO, prescription drug, dental, and weekly accident and sickness benefits are excluded for First Year Apprentices
- you must continue to meet eligibility rules described below

**PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486-MCA of MD**  
**JOINT ADMINISTRATION**  
**PROJECTED 2016 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND PROPOSED 2017 BUDGET**

|                                   | Projected<br>Actual<br>2016<br>Cost | Approved<br>Annual<br>2016<br>Budget | Under<br>(Over)<br>2016<br>Budget | Proposed<br>Annual<br>2017<br>Budget | Increase<br>17 Budget<br>Over<br>16 Actual | Increase<br>17 Budget<br>Over<br>16 Budget |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Contract Administration           | \$520,632                           | \$520,632                            | \$0                               | \$536,533                            | \$15,901                                   | \$15,901                                   |
| Medical Fd Direct Costs           | 7,350                               | 13,200                               | 5,850                             | 10,000                               | 2,650                                      | (3,200)                                    |
| Meeting Expenses                  | 0                                   | 0                                    | 0                                 | 0                                    | 0                                          | 0                                          |
| Printing Expenses                 | 1,400                               | 3,100                                | 1,700                             | 2,000                                | 600                                        | (1,100)                                    |
| Postage                           | 2,650                               | 1,500                                | (1,150)                           | 2,000                                | (650)                                      | 500                                        |
| Audit                             | 3,600                               | 3,700                                | 100                               | 3,700                                | 100                                        | 0                                          |
| Legal Expenses                    | 0                                   | 0                                    | 0                                 | 0                                    | 0                                          | 0                                          |
| Employer Audits                   | 15,400                              | 16,000                               | 600                               | 16,000                               | 600                                        | 0                                          |
| Record Destruction                | 0                                   | 0                                    | 0                                 | 0                                    | 0                                          | 0                                          |
| Bank Services Charges             | 750                                 | 1,200                                | 450                               | 1,000                                | 250                                        | (200)                                      |
|                                   | <u>\$551,782</u>                    | <u>\$559,332</u>                     | <u>\$7,550</u>                    | <u>\$571,233</u>                     | <u>\$19,451</u>                            | <u>\$11,901</u>                            |
| Less Interest Income              | <u>\$0</u>                          | <u>\$0</u>                           | <u>\$0</u>                        | <u>\$0</u>                           | <u>\$0</u>                                 | <u>\$0</u>                                 |
|                                   | <u>\$551,782</u>                    | <u>\$559,332</u>                     | <u>\$7,550</u>                    | <u>\$571,233</u>                     | <u>\$19,451</u>                            | <u>\$11,901</u>                            |
| Less Direct Allocated Items:      |                                     |                                      |                                   |                                      |                                            |                                            |
| Medical Fd Direct Costs           | (\$7,350)                           | (\$13,200)                           | (\$5,850)                         | (\$10,000)                           | (\$2,650)                                  | \$3,200                                    |
| Employer Audits                   | (15,400)                            | (16,000)                             | (600)                             | (16,000)                             | (600)                                      | 0                                          |
| Legal Expenses                    | 0                                   | 0                                    | 0                                 | 0                                    | 0                                          | 0                                          |
|                                   | <u>(\$22,750)</u>                   | <u>(\$29,200)</u>                    | <u>(\$6,450)</u>                  | <u>(\$26,000)</u>                    | <u>(\$3,250)</u>                           | <u>\$3,200</u>                             |
| Net Expenses less Direct Cost     | <u>\$529,032</u>                    | <u>\$530,132</u>                     | <u>\$1,100</u>                    | <u>\$545,233</u>                     | <u>\$16,201</u>                            | <u>\$15,101</u>                            |
| Less Interest Income              | <u>\$0</u>                          | <u>\$0</u>                           | <u>\$0</u>                        | <u>\$0</u>                           | <u>\$0</u>                                 | <u>\$0</u>                                 |
| Net Expenses less Direct/Interest | <u>\$529,032</u>                    | <u>\$530,132</u>                     | <u>\$1,100</u>                    | <u>\$545,233</u>                     | <u>\$16,201</u>                            | <u>\$15,101</u>                            |

**PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION BEFORE DIRECT COSTS**

|               |             |                  |                  |                |             |                  |                 |                 |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Medical Fund  | 54%         | \$285,677        | \$286,271        | \$594          | 54%         | \$294,426        | \$8,749         | \$8,155         |
| Pension Fund  | 19%         | 100,516          | 100,725          | 209            | 19%         | 103,594          | 3,078           | 2,869           |
| Annuity Fund  | 20%         | 105,806          | 106,026          | 220            | 20%         | 109,047          | 3,240           | 3,020           |
| Credit Union  | 1%          | 5,290            | 5,301            | 11             | 1%          | 5,452            | 162             | 151             |
| Training Fund | 4%          | 21,161           | 21,205           | 44             | 4%          | 21,809           | 648             | 604             |
| Dues          | 1%          | 5,290            | 5,301            | 11             | 1%          | 5,452            | 162             | 151             |
| Industry Fund | 1%          | 5,290            | 5,301            | 11             | 1%          | 5,452            | 162             | 151             |
|               | <u>100%</u> | <u>\$529,032</u> | <u>\$530,132</u> | <u>\$1,100</u> | <u>100%</u> | <u>\$545,233</u> | <u>\$16,201</u> | <u>\$15,101</u> |

**PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION AFTER DIRECT COSTS**

|               |               |                  |                  |                |               |                  |                 |                 |
|---------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Medical Fund  | 54.0%         | \$298,161        | \$304,805        | \$6,644        | 54.2%         | \$309,759        | \$11,599        | \$4,955         |
| Pension Fund  | 19.1%         | 105,649          | 106,058          | 409            | 19.1%         | 108,928          | 3,278           | 2,869           |
| Annuity Fund  | 20.1%         | 110,940          | 111,360          | 420            | 20.0%         | 114,380          | 3,440           | 3,020           |
| Credit Union  | 1.0%          | 5,290            | 5,301            | 11             | 1.0%          | 5,452            | 162             | 151             |
| Training Fund | 3.8%          | 21,161           | 21,205           | 44             | 3.8%          | 21,809           | 648             | 604             |
| Dues          | 1.0%          | 5,290            | 5,301            | 11             | 1.0%          | 5,452            | 162             | 151             |
| Industry Fund | 1.0%          | 5,290            | 5,301            | 11             | 1.0%          | 5,452            | 162             | 151             |
|               | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>\$551,782</u> | <u>\$559,332</u> | <u>\$7,550</u> | <u>100.0%</u> | <u>\$571,233</u> | <u>\$19,451</u> | <u>\$11,901</u> |

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January 4, 2017



VIA FACSIMILE and FIRST CLASS MAIL

Alan Hoff, Esquire  
Sellman Hoff, LLC  
2201 Old Court Road  
Baltimore, MD 21208

Re: Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Plan (Participant: )

Dear Mr. Hoff:

This firm is counsel to the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Plan (“the Plan”), the entity to which you submitted a letter dated December 12, 2016 regarding a denial of benefits for a dependent of the above-referenced participant. Please be advised that the Plan is a self-insured multiemployer ERISA plan, and is governed by a Joint Board of Trustees. The Summary Plan Description of the Plan states as follows regarding dependent eligibility:

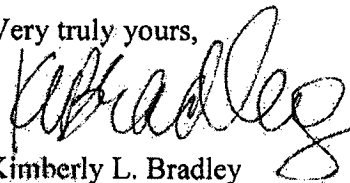
You must notify the Board of Trustees within 30 days from the date you acquire a new dependent. You may obtain the proper forms from the Administrator.

Summary Plan Description, page 4. initial appeal letter stated that he had never submitted a birth certificate for his dependent child that was born in 2013, and he accused the Plan of changing the rules without notice. I am attaching a page of notes from the Plan’s files regarding both dependent children, which shows that within two weeks of the birth of dependent child, he notified the Plan and requested the appropriate forms, as required by the SPD. Approximately 30 days later, submitted the completed forms, including the birth certificate for The Plan’s records show that her coverage began on the date of her birth, in accordance with the Plan’s rules. Unfortunately, regarding dependent child, there is no record in the file of any communication from to request forms, or to submit a birth certificate in 2015, following his son’s birth on September 14, 2015. In fact, there is no information in the file from regarding this matter until he contacted the Fund Office on May 25, 2016. This was well beyond the required time frame for adding a new dependent child.

Alan Off, Esquire  
January 4, 2017  
Page 2 of 2

While the Trustees understand that this is a difficult situation for , they are required by federal law to follow the terms of the Plan. If you have information explaining why was unable to contact the Fund Office within the required time limit because of circumstances that were beyond his control, please feel free to forward that to my attention at [kbradley@abato.com](mailto:kbradley@abato.com) or call me at the number above. The Trustees will be meeting this Monday, and if there is new information regarding this appeal that you care to submit, they will review it at that time.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Bradley", written over the typed name.

Kimberly L. Bradley

KLB/jcl  
Enclosure

Cc: Dale Troll (w/encl.)  
Emily Novak (w/encl.)

SABINED 12/09/13 RECEIVED MEMO FROM DAVID L IN PS REQ ENROLLMENT FORM TO ADD  
BABY

SABINED 12/26/13 RECEIVED ENROLLMENT FORMS AND BIRTH CERT FOR        SENT TO  
SCANNING

MARIAP 05/25/16 REC'D ENROLLMENT FORM AND COPIES OF SS CARDS FOR DEP        AND  
      DEP        CANNOT BE ADDED AT THIS TIME, HE IS NOT A  
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ADDED        EFFECTIVE 5/1/2016.

## SELLMAN HOFF, LLC

THE COOPERAGE, 2201 OLD COURT ROAD, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21208, PHONE: (410) 332-4151  
FAX: (410) 332-1746

January 4, 2017

Via Email, Facsimile, and First Class Mail

Kimberly L. Bradley  
Abato, Rubenstein and Abato, P.A.  
809 Gleneagles Court, Suite 320  
Baltimore, Maryland 21286  
Fax: (410) 321-1419  
Email: kbradley@abato.com

Re: \_\_\_\_\_ Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486

Dear Ms. Bradley:

Thank you for your letter. I apologize in advance if there has been some miscommunication with respect to the events and timing. Please refer to the original letter that sent, as that sets out the timeline.

\_\_\_\_\_ did in fact contact the Plan, and his wife timely filled out the form and sent it in with a copy of \_\_\_\_\_' social security card. While she does not have a copy of that, she knows that it was in the early to mid-October time frame, after they received the social security card, and well before November. She specifically recalls that because (a) she remembers the form asking for the SSN, and (b) in the November enrollment/information form – I do not know if that is the correct terminology – she indicated that the family would stay on the plan and recalls again providing the same information regarding \_\_\_\_\_.

Nobody from the Plan contacted them in response. If there had been a discrepancy based on the November information form, you would expect that somebody would pick up on that. Also, the discrepancy could have been picked up since the Plan pre-approved the C section and the stay. Instead, it wasn't until months later that the \_\_\_\_\_ heard from the providers that the providers had not been paid, as a result of which the \_\_\_\_\_ contacted the Plan and ordered a copy of the birth certificate, which they then provided. It was at that point that they then learned that coverage would be denied.

\_\_\_\_\_ did not make a copy of the October paperwork. Clearly, something fell through the cracks at that time, but they had no way of knowing this until months later. In the interim, there were at least two situations where the Plan could have picked up on the issue – in

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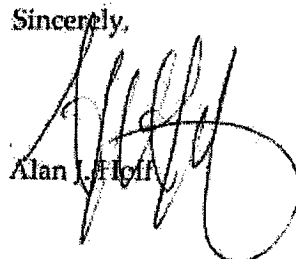
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connection with the pre-approved procedure and in the November form, when                      was listed as one of the insureds.

I hope this better clarifies the events, but feel welcome to call me if you need additional facts. We sincerely hope the Plan will realize that, under the circumstances, coverage is appropriate. We look forward to your response. If somehow the response is negative, please treat this as a request for an external review.

Sincerely,

Alan J. Hoff



Cc: Client

# Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486

## Medical Fund

911 Ridgebrook Road  
Sparks, Maryland 21152-9451  
Toll Free Telephone (888) 494-4443  
[www.associated-admin.com](http://www.associated-admin.com)

### APPLICATION FOR RETIREMENT STATUS – MEDICAL FUND

MATTHEW T. ST. JEAN  
Name (First, Middle initial, Last) Social Security Number  
27 N. PROSPECT AVE. BALTO. MD 21228  
Address City State Zip Code  
8-2-1962 410-747-3258 10-10-1989  
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) Phone Number Date of Initiation (mm/dd/yyyy)

Marital Status: ☐ Married ☐ Widowed ☒ Never been married ☐ Separated ☐ Divorced

Date of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Coverage Desired: ☒ Individual ☐ Parent-Child ☐ Family ☐ Husband-Wife ☐ Waive Coverage

#### List All Eligible Dependents:

| Relationship | Name | Social Security Number | Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) |
|--------------|------|------------------------|----------------------------|
|              |      |                        |                            |
|              |      |                        |                            |
|              |      |                        |                            |
|              |      |                        |                            |

Name of any other health insurance with which you or your dependents have as other coverage, including Medicare:

| Name | Policy Number | Name of Insurance | Policy Holder's Name |
|------|---------------|-------------------|----------------------|
|      |               |                   |                      |
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IF ANYONE HAS MEDICARE, PLEASE SEND A COPY OF MEDICARE CARD(S).

I certify that the above persons listed as dependents are my wife and/or children and that I will retire and permanently withdraw from active employment under the Plumbers & Steamfitters industry within the State of Maryland and any intersecting metropolitan areas on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

Matthew T. St. Jean  
Signature

10/19/16  
Date

OCT 20 2016

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Retirement Effective Date: 12/1/2016 Type of Retirement: DISABILITY Age: 54

Approved for Retirement Status: ☐ Normal ☒ Disability

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date 1/9/2017

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486

Pension Fund

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APPLICATION FOR SURVIVOR BENEFIT

(SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT GUARANTEE YOU A BENEFIT)

NAME OF PARTICIPANT: Kenneth Emmett Johnson

SS# OF PARTICIPANT \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT'S DATE OF DEATH: ~~August 22, 1979~~ JULY 30, 2016

BENEFICIARY INFORMATION:

1. Name (Last, First, Middle): Johnson Catherine Mamie
2. Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_
3. Home Telephone #: 410-452-8407
4. Home Address (# and Street): 3856 Peach Orchard Rd.
5. City, Town or Post Office: Whiteford
6. State and 9-Digit Zip Code: MARYLAND 21160-1707
7. Birth Date (Mo/Day/Yr): September 26, 1943

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that a false statement may disqualify me for pension benefits, and that the Trustees have the right to recover payments made to me as a result of false statements.

Catherine Mamie Johnson  
Signature of Beneficiary

October 31, 2016  
Date

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY - PLEASE DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW**

THE TRUSTEES OF THE PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 PENSION FUND APPROVE FOR RETIREMENT THE ABOVE PARTICIPANT AT A MONTHLY PENSION OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00 PER MONTH STARTING ON THE FIRST DAY OF Aug, 2016.

APPROVAL DATE: 1/9/2017

CHAIRMAN: \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY: \_\_\_\_\_

**LAW OFFICES**  
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(1920 – 2009)  
Anthony A. Abato, Jr.  
(1933 – 2015)

*Of Counsel*  
H. Victoria Hedian  
Stephen W. Godoff •

• Also admitted in DC

January 9, 2017



Board of Trustees, Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund  
c/o Associated Administrators, LLC  
911 Ridgebrook Road  
Sparks, MD 21152

Re: Legal Services Engagement Letter

Dear Trustees:

This letter will serve as Abato, Rubenstein and Abato, P.A.'s ("Abato") engagement letter agreement with Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund ("Medical Fund") as General Counsel commencing January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018, and continuing year to year thereafter.

The retainer will be in the amount of \$14,800 per year, paid in quarterly installments of \$3,700 per quarter for 2017. The retainer will be in the amount of \$15,200 per year, paid in quarterly installments of \$3,800 per quarter for 2018. The firm will charge fees of \$285.00 per hour for attorney time that is not covered by the retainer. Abato currently does not utilize the services of paralegals or law clerks, and there are no billing rates for those positions. In addition to our hourly rate charges, we will bill for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses, such as postage, filing fees, process service, photocopying, long distance telephone charges, and computerized legal research, subject to the following limitation: The firm will not bill for any attorney time related to travel to and from Trustees' meetings, but will bill for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in traveling to and from Trustees' meetings if outside the Baltimore area.

The general description of legal services which Abato will provide to the Medical Fund pursuant to the retainer is set forth below (some of these services are performed solely by Abato, and some are performed in consultation with the Client's administrators, auditors and consultants):

- attend Trustees meetings and meetings with other professional advisors as requested by the Trustees;

- advise the Trustees regarding changes in the law affecting the Fund and provide assistance to the Fund's consultant(s) and Administrator in preparing participant disclosure forms, government forms, and development of procedures to comply with the law;
- review contracts and other documents presented to the Trustees for approval, including minutes of the Trustees' meetings;
- advise the Trustees on legal implications of proposed policies and proposed changes to the Client's governing documents;
- review and draft amendments to plan documents, such as trust agreement amendments and Summaries of Material Modification
- advise the Trustees concerning legal questions which arise in the course of the day-to-day administration of the Client; and
- review appeals to the Trustees, give legal advice and prepare memoranda on claims and appeals as required.

Matters that are generally outside the retainer are as follows:

- restatement of plan documents, such as the Trust Agreement and Summary Plan Description
- collections matters at the direction of the Trustees;
- non-collections litigation at the direction of the Trustees;
- DOL, IRS and other regulatory agency audits;
- compliance changes related to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and its successor statute, if applicable; and
- other services at the direction of the Trustees.

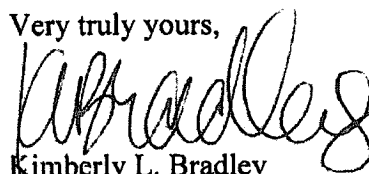
We propose to represent the Medical Fund and its Trustees until further notice from the Trustees. It is our understanding that we render services at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees and that our services may be discontinued at any time by written notice from the Trustees. If and when this engagement for legal services is terminated, Abato will retain copies of files for 7 years,

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after which those files will be destroyed in accordance with applicable ERISA requirements. We will return original files to the Client upon its request.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Trustees, please sign where indicated on the following page and return a fully executed copy of this engagement letter to us for our records. We have enjoyed providing legal services to the Medical Fund and its predecessors for many years, and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Very truly yours,



Kimberly L. Bradley

Accepted by PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 486 MEDICAL FUND

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer Trustee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Union Trustee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

NAME:  
REGARDING:

SS#:

**Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund**

DATE OF HIRE:

LOCAL: 486

STATUS: Retired, November 1, 2003

ISSUE: Medical – Subrogation, Lien Reduction Request

#M16/142-9447

**FUND RULE:**

**"Subrogation**

If you or one of your Dependents and/or Dependent Parent(s) is injured directly or indirectly by a third party, the Plan will pay covered benefits under the following circumstances. If you receive a payment from the third party, and/or from an insurance company, employer, or other assign, or relative of the third party as a result of settlement or award for your injuries, the Plan will have the right to an equitable lien over the payment, and the Plan will have a right of first recovery from the payment, without deduction of attorney's fees or costs, up to the full amount of the recovery. The Plan's right of first recovery shall apply regardless of whether the award is designated for medical benefits, damages, pain and suffering or any other designation of injuries. The common fund and make whole doctrines are specifically rejected, for purposes of this section."

(Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund SPD, page 29)

SUMMARY: Appeal Received: December 16, 2016

The attorney for the participant's spouse, Stark and Keenan, is appealing to be allowed a reduction in the Fund's lien in the amount of \$558.70 related to medical claims paid in connection with a third party accident on August 16, 2012. The participant's attorney states, "This firm's client [the participant's spouse] signed a Subrogation agreement on 10/17/2014 specifically noting that the "period for this claim is from 08/16/2012 through 07/22/2013. All claims after this end date are NOT related to the suit." Thus, any amounts incurred after 7/22/2013 are not properly included in the revised lien amount of \$2307.42. Your organization was aware of this cut-off date since October 2014 -- more than two years ago. Raising the lien amount after settlement is unfair to my client where no new charges have been incurred. Based on your recent correspondence, I am asking for a reduction in the amount of \$558.70 making the total amount payable to your account \$1119.09."

The lien amount for paid medical claims for the participant's spouse in connection with a third party accident on August 16, 2012 is \$2307.42.

ACTION:

Approved

☐

Denied

☐

Tabled

☐

COMMENTS:

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MAR 4 2013

A.A. LLC

**SUBROGATION AGREEMENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have submitted a claim(s) to the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 486 Medical Fund (hereinafter called the "Claim"). I may have legal rights on account of the acts or omissions of a third party (or parties) which caused or contributed to the illness or injury which resulted in the claim. I also may be entitled to benefits or payments on account of such injury or illness, irrespective of a third party's act of omission. In consideration of the Fund's payment of benefits with respect to the Claim, I agree to reimburse (or direct others to reimburse) the Fund for the entire amount it paid with respect to the Claim out of *any* money I receive or am entitled to receive from third party, its insurer, or any other person or entity (public or private) which is attributable to or related in any manner to such illness or injury. This repayment obligation applies to the recovery of any money, regardless of whether the payment is characterized as compensation for pain and suffering or something else. Further, all parties to this Agreement agree that the Participant's or Dependent(s)' obligation to repay the Fund has priority over other obligations they may have, including any obligation to pay attorneys' fees out of the recovery. Neither the Participant, Dependent(s), nor the undersigned attorney may reduce the amount due the Fund to account for payment of attorneys' fees or other obligations.

I further agree that I will notify the Fund or any attorney, insurance company representative, or other person whom I have contacted or will contact to assist me in seeking money on account of the claim and I will direct such person to release all information to and fully cooperate with the Fund. I agree that this Agreement irrevocably directs such attorney, insurance company representative, or other person to pay the Fund the entire amount owed to the Fund under this Agreement out of any settlement, judgment, or other recovery; whether or not the said settlement, judgment, or other recovery includes or specifically excludes payment to me for medical care and treatment or weekly disability benefits paid to me on my behalf by the Fund.

I represent that I have not accepted any money with respect to the illness or injury which resulted in the Claim. I agree that until the Fund is reimbursed in full for the benefits it paid which are attributable to the Claim, I will not accept any money with respect to such illness or injury without the Fund's written consent.

I also agree that the Fund has the right to pursue its reimbursement claim directly against the third party and upon the Fund's request, I agree to assign to the Fund any right of recovery or cause of action in tort, or any other claim or cause of action which I have or may have, to the extent of the amount of benefits paid by the Fund with respect to the Claim. I agree to cooperate fully with and assist the Fund in any action it may take pursuant to this Agreement.

MAR 4 2013

**PARTIES TO THIS SUBROGATION AGREEMENT**

1. Name of Participant:

2. Date of Accident:

8/16/12

3. Name(s) of all persons injured in accident (participant, spouse, dependent children)

Name:

Name:

Name:

Name:

4. Name and address of Attorney representing Participant or Dependent(s):

Greg I Rose c/o Weinstock, Friedman & Friedman, P.A.  
Executive Centre 4 Reservoir Circle  
Baltimore, MD 21208

5. Phone number of Attorney representing Participant or Dependent(s): 410 559 9000

Signature of Participant

Witness

Signature of Dependent (if injured in accident)

Witness

Date:

2/21/13

Signature of Attorney

Witness

Date:

2/28/13

PLEASE NOTE: BENEFIT PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ADVANCED BY THE FUND UNTIL THIS AGREEMENT IS COMPLETED AND FULLY EXECUTED.

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1. Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Date of Accident: 8/16/12
3. Name(s) of all persons injured in accident (participant, spouse, dependent children)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name and address of Attorney representing Participant or Dependent(s):

STARK and KEENAN, P.A.

30 OFFICE ST.

BEL AIR, MD 21014

5. Phone number of Attorney representing Participant or Dependent(s): 410-879-2222  
410-838-5522

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

K  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Dependent (if injured in accident)

K  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

Date: 10-17-14

Paul M. L.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Attorney

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

Date: 10/23/14

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PLEASE NOTE: BENEFIT PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ADVANCED BY THE FUND UNTIL AA\$ LLC  
AGREEMENT IS COMPLETED AND FULLY EXECUTED.

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Period for this claim is from 8/16/12